

East Bay Educational Collaborative & EBEC Holdings

Board of Directors Meeting

317 Market Street, Warren, RI 02885

June 13, 2014

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

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| Melinda Thies; Superintendent | Bristol/Warren |
| Dr. Donna Ottaviano; Executive Director | East Bay Educational Collaborative |
| Jeff Schoonover; ASCD | Portsmouth |
| Michael Messori; Superintendent | Barrington |
| Rosemarie Kraeger; Superintendent | Middletown |
| Kim Mercer; Superintendent | East Providence |
| Kathryn Crowley; Superintendent, Chair | Little Compton |
| Colleen Jermain; Superintendent | Newport |
| William Rearick; Superintendent | Tiverton |

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

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| Karen Corr; Business Manager | EBEC |
| Carolyn Sedgwick; Admin Assistant | EBEC |
| William Josephs; Director | EBCA |
| Tim Ryan; Chair | RISSA |

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order in Open Session by K. Crowley at 8:35am.
- II. **Public Input:** None
- III. **Consent Agenda:** On a **motion** by W. Rearick, **seconded** by M. Thies, the May minutes were **unanimously approved**.
- IV. **Business Manager's Report:** K. Corr presented a contract summary. On a motion by W. Rearick, seconded by R. Kraeger, it was unanimously voted that K. Crowley will be EBEC's check signer. She will also serve as chair of finance committee.
- V. **ASCD Update:** J. Schoonover provided the ASCD Update as part of the Solution Tree discussion.
- VI. **Executive Director's Report:**
 - a. D. Ottaviano will be attending the July AESA conference in Santa Fe, NM and will apply to be the regional representative.
 - b. D. Ottaviano reported on grants. She is working on a second Governor's Workforce Grant for Industry partnership. EBEC is also a contender for a Champlin Grant.
 - c. Professional Development is still strong and will be reported in EBEC's Annual Report.
 - d. K. Crowley reported on the Career Academy's year-end banquet. W. Josephs reported on graduation rate and next year's enrollment. On a **motion** made by W. Rearick and **seconded** by K. Mercer, the Board voted

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7-1 to appoint W. Pabst as principal of the Career Academy. M. Thies was opposed.

- e. On a **motion** by W. Rearick, **seconded** by M. Thies, the Board **unanimously approved** the appointment of R. Kraeger as the EBEC Vice Chair.
- f. On a **motion** by W. Rearick, **seconded** by J. Schoonover, the Board **unanimously approved** the appointment of R. Kraeger as RISSA Representative.
- g. D. Ottaviano, K. Crowley, and R. Kraeger are members of the USEF Board and D. Ottaviano is acting as their Secretary. USEF is looking to increase Board membership and expand their programs to EBEC member districts via grant opportunities. J. Schoonover recommended contacting Portsmouth's new superintendent.
- h. K. Crowley reported on the Special Education Directors meeting. EBEC is helping to get clarification on certification requirements. D. Ottaviano is on the Certification Advisory Committee, which meets Monday.
- i. On a **motion** by W. Rearick, **seconded** by M. Thies, the Board **unanimously approved** the 14-15 Board Meeting schedule with a start time of 9am for all meetings.

VII. Discussion Items

- a. J. Schoonover reported that all districts that participated in Solution Tree Professional Development are continuing next year. They are also making plans to accommodate new districts.
- b. K. Corr reported on the status of the non-public school textbook loan work for the three participating districts. EBEC should hear about a grant to help with costs by July 1.
- c. RISSA Representative Tim Ryan presented M. Thies with a certificate of appreciation upon her retirement. K. Crowley thanked M. Thies on behalf of the EBEC Board for her service.

VIII. Date of Next Meeting: The next EBEC Board meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2014.

IX. Adjourn: On a **motion** by W. Rearick, **seconded** by J. Schoonover, the meeting was **adjourned** at 9:25am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn Sedgwick
Secretary, Pro Tem